574.8 Qualified stock issuances by undercapitalized savings associations or holding companies.

574.9 Additions of directors and employment of senior executive officers of savings associations and savings and loan holding companies.

574.100 Rebuttal of control agreement.

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§ 574.1 Scope of part.

The purpose of this part is to implement the provisions of the Change in Bank Control Act, 12 U.S.C.1817(j) ("Control Act"), and the Savings and Loan Holding Company Act, 12 U.S.C. 1467a ("Holding Company Act"), relating to acquisitions and changes in control of savings associations that are organized in stock form and savings and loan holding companies thereof.

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§ 574.2 Definitions.

As used in this part and in the forms under this part, the following definitions apply, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) Acquire when used in connection with the acquisition of stock of a savings association means obtaining ownership, control, power to vote, or sole power of disposition of stock, directly or indirectly or through one or more transactions or subsidiaries, through purchase, assignment, transfer, exchange, succession, or other means, including:
- (1) An increase in percentage ownership resulting from a redemption, repurchase, reverse stock split or a similar transaction involving other securities of the same class, and
- (2) The acquisition of stock by a group of persons and/or companies acting in concert which shall be deemed to occur upon formation of such group: *Provided*, That an investment advisor shall not be deemed to acquire the voting stock of its advisee if the advisor:
- (i) Votes the stock only upon instruction from the beneficial owner, and
- (ii) Does not provide the beneficial owner with advice concerning the voting of such stock.
- (b) Acquiror means a person or company.

- (c) Acting in concert means: (1) Knowing participation in a joint activity or interdependent conscious parallel action towards a common goal whether or not pursuant to an express agreement, or
- (2) A combination or pooling of voting or other interests in the securities of an issuer for a common purpose pursuant to any contract, understanding, relationship, agreement or other arrangement, whether written or otherwise.
- (3) A person or company which acts in concert with another person or company (''other party'') shall also be deemed to be acting in concert with any person or company who is also acting in concert with that other party, except that any tax-qualified employee stock benefit plan as defined in \$563b.2(a)(39) will not be deemed to be acting in concert with its trustee or a person who serves in a similar capacity solely for the purpose of determining whether stock held by the trustee and stock held by the plan will be aggregated.
- (d) *Affiliate* means any person or company which controls, is controlled by or is under common control with a person, savings association or company.
- (e) *BIF* means the Bank Insurance Fund, as established by the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. 1811 *et sea*.
- (f) Company means any corporation, partnership, trust, association, joint venture, pool, syndicate, unincorporated organization, joint-stock company or similar organization, as defined in paragraph (r) of this section; but a company does not include:
- (1) The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Resolution Trust Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision, or any Federal Home Loan Bank, or
- (2) Any company the majority of shares of which is owned by:
 - (i) The United States or any State,
- (ii) An officer of the United States or any State in his or her official capacity, or
- (iii) An instrumentality of the United States or any State.
- (g) Controlling shareholder means any person who directly or indirectly or